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SUBJECT: ERP OCCUPIES SMALL TOWN FOR SEVERAL HOURS.

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 1:00PM ON JUNE 28, THIRTY (30) MEN AND WOMEN WHO IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS ERP MEMBERS ENTERED AND OCCUPIED FOR SEVERAL HOURS THE RURAL BA PROVINCE TOWN OF GENERAL MANSILLA. DURING THEIR SHORT OCCUPATION OF THE TOWN, THE GUERRILLAS TOOK APPROXIMATELY \$15 THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM THE LOCAL BANK AND FESTOONED MANY WALLS WITH THE ERP SYMBOLS.

2. THE GUERRILLAS FLED AFTER DESTROYING THE TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH LINES WHICH DELAYED BY SEVERAL HOURS POLICE ACTION. AS OF LATE SATURDAY, JUNE 29, THE POLICE HAD MOUNTED AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH OPERATION. HOWEVER, NO ARRESTS WERE MADE OR EXPECTED.

3. IN A TYPICAL TOUCH OF BRAVADO, THE GUERRILLAS ANNOUNCED THEIR RAID AT A LEFTIST STUDENT RALLY AT THE UNIV. OF BUENOS AIRES. THEY IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS THE "HEROES OF TRELEW" COMMAND OF THE ERP.
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